

Korea Today

No. 153

1969

S u p p l e m e n t

**National Meeting of Agricultural
Workers Held Under Direct Guidance
of Comrade KIM IL SUNG, Respected
and Beloved Leader**

**Pyongyang City Meeting Held in
Celebration of the 21st Birthday of
the Korean People's Army**

On Summing up Results of Carrying out Teachings of Comrade KIM IL SUNG Given at National Meetings of Agricultural Workers in 1967 and 1968 and Tasks for This Year

Report of Comrade Kim Il,

Secretary of the Central Committee of the
Workers' Party of Korea and First Vice-Premier
of the Cabinet,

Delivered at the National Meeting of Agricultural Workers

(Gist)

Today we are holding the National Meeting of Agricultural Workers under grandiose circumstances in which the whole Party and the entire people registered big successes last year in all branches of the national economy and are seething with new upsurge and revolutionary zeal to scale the heights of the Seven-Year Plan this year, upholding the programmatic tasks put forth in the report delivered by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, at the historic Conference of the Party, the great Ten-Point Political Programme of the Government of the Republic announced by him and his report at the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Republic, the reporter said, and declared:

We are present at this meeting with great self-confidence and pride of unswervingly advancing along the bright road indicated by the great "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country," Marxist-Leninist agricultural programme in which Comrade Kim Il Sung,

the respected and beloved Leader, gave a scientific exposition of the basic principles for the solution of the peasant question and agricultural question after the victory of the socialist revolution, and scoring shining victory year after year on this road.

The total grain harvest rose by 16 per cent in 1967 as against the previous year and last year it again increased by 11 per cent compared with 1967, of which the harvest of paddy rice grew by 13 per cent and that of maize by 16 per cent.

The sharp rise in grain production last year under the condition of our country where arable land is limited is attributable to an increase of grain harvest per unit area at a very rapid tempo. Last year paddy rice harvest per *jongbo* went up by 550 kilograms above the figure of 1967 taking the country as a whole.

Along with the shining success in grain production, no small success was made in the domain of stockbreeding.

A mass movement was vigorously unfolded

for producing two tons of meat per work team and over 100 kilograms per peasant household in all cooperative farms, with the result that meat output grew by 26 per cent last year compared with 1967.

Particularly, thanks to the personal guidance and solicitude of Comrade Kim Il Sung, modern material and technical foundations have been solidly laid in poultry farming and a clear vista has been opened up for developing poultry farming on a large scale in the future and satisfying the growing demand of the population for chicken and eggs in the near future.

All of our orchards were also visited by an unprecedentedly bumper harvest last year.

Fruit trees newly planted after the Bukchong Enlarged Meeting of the Presidium of the Central Committee of our Party also bore rich fruit and the total fruit output nearly doubled the figure of 1967.

Last year the output of silkworms increased by 34 per cent as against 1967 in our country.

The average share per peasant household rose by 14 per cent in grain and 13 per cent in cash last year in comparison with 1967.

The reporter went on to say:

Today the agriculture of our country which is rapidly increasing its production uninterruptedly year after year, not affected by any unfavourable natural conditions or any other casual factors and knowing no stagnation or standstill is splendidly demonstrating the essential superiority of the socialist system of rural economy and socialist agriculture.

The continued, rapid growth of agricultural production has not only strengthened the economic foundation of cooperative farms and sharply raised the material and cultural living standards of the masses of cooperative farmers but made it possible to solve more satisfactorily the food question of the country, accelerating the development of the national economy as a whole and the betterment of the people's livelihood and carrying out more thoroughly the resolutions of the Party Conference on stepping up economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel by providing the country with a greater amount of food reserves.

This has also made it possible to bring industry and agriculture, the two major branches of the national economy, into closer ties in production and further strengthen on this basis the worker-peasant alliance led by the working class.

The above-mentioned, continued and enormous success in our agricultural production is attributable solely to the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and to his consistent, deep solicitude.

Our rural economy the road ahead of which

is brightly illumined by the "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country" and which is guided by the correct agricultural policy of our Party run through with the great idea of *Juche* of the Leader always covered the road of victory and is continuously dashing forward vigorously along the one road of victory.

Thanks to the great might of the independent national economy built by our Party with great efforts, particularly to the powerful support of heavy industry with the machine industry as the backbone, the technical revolution in the countryside including irrigation has been vigorously carried on, with the result that reliable material and technical foundations capable of developing agricultural production on the basis of modern science and technology have been laid.

Comrade Kim Il Sung organized and mobilized the whole Party and the entire people in the struggle for translating the great Theses into practice and convened a national meeting of agricultural workers every year and indicated the goal of struggle in the domain of rural economy and even the concrete ways for attaining the goal.

No branch of rural economy of our country is out of reach of the concrete guidance and solicitude of Comrade Kim Il Sung and today's brilliant victory has been possible only thanks to his wise leadership.

The most important factor of our tremendous success in agricultural production last year when the natural and weather conditions were very unfavourable for farming is that irrigation to which our Party directed efforts under the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung displayed a great vitality.

Our great success in agricultural production has also been made possible because our working class, upholding the ideas of the Theses on strengthening the support of industry to agriculture in every way, produced and supplied a greater quantity of various high quality chemical fertilizers and agricultural chemicals urgently needed for the growth of agricultural production.

We could reap a bumper harvest also because we introduced in a big way new early-ripening, high-yielding species whose advantage was already proved by trial cultivation in different localities on the basis of the investigation of actual conditions of agro-meteorology and soil, distribution of crops and species, etc., conducted on the teachings of Comrade Kim Il Sung given in Haeju in November, 1966, on doing farming on a scientific and technical basis, and placed farming on a scientific and technical basis.

Last year new, good early-ripening, high-yielding species of paddy rice suited to the climatic and soil conditions of each locality

were introduced in a big way throughout the countryside of our country.

The reporter went on:

In last year's farming the superiority of industrial guidance under the new system of agricultural guidance and especially the tremendous vitality of the system of sub-work team management, both personally created by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, were brought into fuller play.

In the course of the deepening and development of industrial guidance of co-operative economy, the ever increasing material and technical means of the state came to serve agricultural production better and, especially technical guidance was strengthened and advanced technique was widely introduced in the rural areas and the level of the management of co-operative farms further elevated.

Actual life showed all the more clearly the tremendous advantage of the system of sub-work team management as the best form of organization of production and the most rational cell of collective life for cultivating the communist ideas among the peasants.

The collective life of co-operative farmers was strengthened still more and the collective spirit and communist traits of working, studying and living, helping and pulling each other along under the motto "One for all, all for one" were displayed to a high degree.

Particularly, the teachings of Comrade Kim Il Sung and the Party policies were brought home to the entire cooperative farmers in time and the political and labour enthusiasm of the masses of co-operative farmers surged high to carry them out and collective innovations took place in all parts.

The entire agricultural working people of our country, armed firmly with the great revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and rallied close as one around the Party and the Leader, dashed and dashed forward vigorously to carry out the teachings of the Leader and the Party policies to the end.

In the midst of such full-significant practical struggle, a large number of agricultural working people joined the Chollima work team movement and the ranks of Chollima work teams, twice-Chollima work teams and Chollima farms swelled rapidly.

All these changes taking place in our countryside show that the great ideas of the "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country" are being triumphantly translated into practice in our countryside.

Under the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, the socialist earthly paradise free from exploitation and oppression, where all the peasants live a life no worse than that of former great landowner, enjoy freedom and

happiness—the grand conception matured by the Leader already from the days when he organized and waged the anti-Japanese armed struggle—is brilliantly taking shape in our countryside.

The revolution is going on in our countryside and our peasants are advancing with full confidence, looking forward to a bright prospect of socialist and communist construction opened up by the Theses.

Through practice, our country has given full play to the essential superiority of the socialist rural economy system, thus refuting slanders and calumnies hurled by the imperialists at socialist agriculture, and our country is lauded by the world people as a living model in the solution of the peasant and agricultural questions under socialism and in socialist rural construction.

All the successes and victories that have been registered in our rural economy year after year and all the freedom and happiness enjoyed by our peasants are results of the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and the brilliant fruition of the agricultural policy of our Party, the embodiment of his great revolutionary idea, his idea of *Juche*.

I, in the name of the attendants of this meeting and the agricultural working people throughout the country, extend highest honour and deepest thanks to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people, who always leads our peasants and the entire people to victory and glory, happiness and prosperity.

Saying that we are confronted with the greatest national tasks for carrying to completion the South Korean revolution by assisting the South Korean people and unifying the fatherland and bringing earlier the nationwide victory of the revolution, the reporter underlined the tasks arising in the agricultural domain in 1969.

The reporter went on:

We, above all, should make 1969 a year of victorious capture of the height of grain set by the historic Fourth Congress of our Party for the domain of rural economy and more satisfactory solution of the question of side-dish materials for the people—vegetables, oil, meat and eggs.

The capture of the height of grain is of first and foremost importance to this.

In his concluding speech at the National Meeting of Agricultural Workers last year Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, called for a movement for boosting grain harvest per *jongbo* by 500 kg. teaching us:

"If you comrades fulfil this task without fail by working well, the people will make a good living with sufficient food, and further-

more, we will be able to develop stockbreeding and store up more grain reserves.

"...When the country has a large amount of grain reserves, there is nothing to be afraid of, even if a war breaks out.

"When we produce much grain, we can save foreign exchange and greatly contribute to the industrialization of the country, too."

Bearing deep in mind this teaching of the Leader, we should capture without fail the height of grain by unfolding again this year a vigorous movement for increasing the *per-jongbo* grain output by 500 kg. in all paddy and non-paddy fields.

At the same time, we should effect a new upsurge continuously in all domains of the agricultural production—industrial crops, oil bearing crops, vegetables, animal products, fruits, silk cocoons, etc.

Thus, all the co-operative farms should certainly fulfil the Party tasks to meet more satisfactorily the growing demands of the population and the national economy for food and raw material and enhance the living standard of the peasants more rapidly.

In order to give fuller play to the great superiority of the system of the socialist rural economy by maintaining the high upsurge in agricultural production, all efforts should be concentrated on materializing the "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country."

The technical and cultural revolutions should be pushed ahead dynamically without intermission in the countryside, with definite precedence given to the ideological revolution.

To revolutionize and working-classize the peasants, the most reliable ally of the working class in socialist and communist construction, is the most important guarantee for the victory of our revolution and all the successes in building socialist countryside.

What is important above all in working-classizing and revolutionizing the guiding personnel in the agricultural domain and the peasants, is to thoroughly arm them with the revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and the Party policies, their embodiment, and firmly establish among them the system of the unitary ideology of the Party.

Thus, all the workers in the agricultural domain and peasants should be led to think and act in accordance with the ideas of the Party and the Leader at any time and in any place and confidently advance along the road indicated by the Party and the Leader without any vacillation under any adversities.

The "Room for Study of the Revolutionary History of Comrade Kim Il Sung" should be run effectively to guide the peasants to learn from the great revolutionary ideas of the Leader and the history of his glorious revolutionary struggle, the judiciousness of his

leadership and his lofty virtues and remain faithful to the Party and the revolution and defend the Leader with their lives like the anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters following the indomitable, lofty revolutionary spirit and revolutionary traits of those fighters who were infinitely faithful to the Leader.

The reporter put stress on strengthening the communist education, with class education as its main content, among the peasants for their class awakening so they may struggle uncompromisingly against the enemy and strengthening the education in socialist patriotism to lead them to ardently love the socialist fatherland and defend to the last the gains of the revolution with their lives.

The reporter pointed out that the peasants should be educated to fully display the spirit of collectivism and the communist traits of life to live and work in a revolutionary way.

He then referred to the necessity of strengthening the organizational life among the agricultural working people.

The reporter stressed: The ideological revolution in the countryside should be carried out invariably through persuasion and education and by the method of influencing the people by positive examples and it should be a work of strengthening the unity and solidarity of the working people.

We should continue to powerfully push on the rural technical revolution while giving definite precedence to the ideological revolution, the reporter said. He went on:

To build socialism and communism, the ideological fortress must be captured through the active promotion of the ideological revolution and at the same time the material fortress must be captured through the active promotion of the technical revolution.

Then the reporter dwelt in detail on measures for stepping up the technical revolution by giving fuller play to the mighty force of irrigation in the rural economy and pushing ahead more powerfully with the mechanization, chemicalization and electrification of agriculture. He underscored the necessity of further strengthening the land improvement work and of actively introducing the achievements made by the advanced agricultural sciences for bringing farming on a solid scientific and technical basis.

Then the reporter said that we were confronted with heavy fighting tasks to solve more satisfactorily the question of supplementary food for the people such as vegetable, oil, meat and eggs and fruits.

He went on:

We should give more powerful spurs to the rural cultural revolution to promote the ideological and technical revolutions in the countryside and develop the agricultural productive forces to a high level.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, taught us that "The cultural revolution in the countryside constitutes an important revolutionary task in elevating the cultural and technical standards of the peasantry, training technical cadres for the countryside, changing the old appearance of the rural areas, liquidating all backward ways of living and customs and building a cultured and hygienic way of life."

The reporter stressed that deep attention should be paid to elevating a stage higher the general technical and cultural standards of the entire agricultural working people, and that we should creditably implement the teachings of Comrade Kim Il Sung to build and run well schools, creches, kindergartens and children's wards, etc., in the countryside. And modern houses in the countryside should be extensively built.

The success in the fulfilment of the vast revolutionary tasks in the rural economy largely depends on how we improve the guidance and management of the co-operative farms, he said, and continued:

County is the base which accelerates the ideological, technical and cultural revolutions in the countryside, links town with country and realizes the political, economic and cultural assistance of town to country.

The role of county must be raised in every way. The county-level guiding organs should build up the counties well and direct a preferential attention to the development of the rural economy and they should concentrate all efforts of the counties mainly on developing the rural economy and improving the guidance and management of the co-operative economy.

The main link in improving the guidance and management of the co-operative farms is to further deepen and develop the industrial guidance under the new system of agricultural guidance and the sub-work team management system.

We, the reporter emphasised, should sum up the superiority of the new system of agricultural guidance which Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, created for solving the urgent, realistic demands of the rural economy after grasping these demands, and the experiences already gained from it, and further deepen and develop the industrial guidance to agricultural production and improve all the more the work of the county co-operative farm management committee.

Then the reporter pointed to detailed tasks arising in further developing agricultural technique, placing farming on a scientific and technical basis, correctly carrying through the mass line and the line of unified and detailed planning of the Party in working out the plans of the co-operative farms. Referring to the concrete tasks for improving labour administra-

tion in the countryside, the reporter stressed as follows:

Bearing in mind the teachings of Comrade Kim Il Sung that "Labour administration in the socialist society is a work with people and chiefly, we may say, is a work of fostering the communist attitude toward labour among the working people," the guiding personnel in the domain of agriculture should completely discard the erroneous view that belittles labour administration regarding it a mere technical and business affair and convert this work into a work with people and carry on a persevering political work for fostering the communist attitude toward labour among the working people.

The reporter stressed that the managerial workers of the co-operative farms and primary-level workers in the farms should show examples in participating in production labour and strictly abide by the socialist principle of distribution according to the quality and amount of the work done.

To improve industrial guidance in agricultural production and enhance the level of industrial management one stage higher through the full display of democratic principle in the management of the co-operative farms, it is important to deepen and develop the system of sub-work team management, the advantages of which are being displayed more conspicuously as the days go by. The reporter pointed out the measures for properly applying the sub-work team management system.

The reporter said:

Very weighty tasks are assigned to the workers in this domain in the struggle for scaling this year the height of grain envisaged in the Seven-Year Plan without fail and effecting a new upswing in all spheres of agricultural production.

When the line and policy of the Party are correct and correct ways for their fulfilment are indicated, the success in this year's agricultural production entirely depends on the method and style of work of the guiding personnel in the rural economy who directly organize and carry them out and on how they organize and mobilize the revolutionary zeal of the masses.

The guiding personnel in the rural economy should further enhance the Party spirit, working class spirit and popular spirit, root out bureaucracy and formalism and thoroughly implement the Chongsan-ri method, the traditional revolutionary work method of our Party.

What is of particular importance here is to bring guidance nearer to the lower units and give precedence to the political work, the work with people, in guidance to the countryside.

As Comrade Kim Il Sung always teaches us, the guiding personnel should deeply grasp and apply to the practical work the tested and

scientific work method of creating a model in one unit and generalizing it by way of giving an object lesson to the workers of the lower units and the producer masses, and of seizing the main link and solving all other links by concentrating efforts on it.

If the guiding personnel really want to acquire the revolutionary method of work and possess the popular style of work, they should, first of all, firmly arm themselves with the unitary ideology of the Party and establish the revolutionary mass point of view and, at the same time, steadily raise their technical and practical standard.

We should more energetically organize and wage the Chollima movement, the general line of our Party in socialist construction, for powerfully pushing ahead with the ideological, technical and cultural revolutions in the countryside, enhancing the level of industrial management to the co-operative farms and effecting a new great upswing in agricultural production.

Through the Chollima movement, all those laggards and conservatists in the countryside should be educated and remoulded into progressive active persons and revolutionized and working-classized and the entire agricultural working people should effect continued collective innovations in production, working, studying and living under the motto "One for all and all for one," and thus all the rural villages should seethe with a great revolutionary upsurge.

We should consolidate rock-firm the revolutionary base of the northern half of the Republic and increase in every way the political, economic and military potentials of the country by thoroughly implementing the line of the Party on carrying on economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel, by manufacturing what we have not and finding out what we feel lack of, upholding at all times the revolutionary banner of self-reliance, and at the same time, we should make full ideological and material preparations for crushing U.S. imperialism, the sworn enemy of our people, and its stooges, at any time by pooling

strength with the brothers of South Korea.

The reporter emphasized in conclusion:

In face of the prevailing situation, we should enhance still more the revolutionary vigilance and always maintain a strained and mobilized posture, with a sickle and a hammer in one hand and a rifle in the other, not letting a single subversive element or a saboteur crawl in, and should further precipitate the doom of the enemy, exposing and shattering at every step its desperate scheme to provoke a war which is becoming all the more wanton.

No matter how vast and arduous the revolutionary tasks facing us may be, there are all conditions and possibilities for us to carry out them triumphantly.

There are for us the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the Korean revolution, outstanding Marxist-Leninist and the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people who always leads our people to victory and glory, and the correct policies of our Party, in which his great revolutionary ideas are embodied.

There are for us the reliable assistance of the mighty independent national industry with heavy industry as its core, the active assistance of the working class and the entire people and the inexhaustible energy and wisdom of the millions of agricultural working people who are infinitely faithful to the Party and the Leader.

When the entire agricultural working people and workers in the agricultural domain advance vigorously along the road indicated by the Leader as they did in the past there is no unconquerable fortress for us and we will certainly win a new greater victory.

Let us all unite as firm as a rock around the Central Committee of the Party headed by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people, and advance energetically toward a new victory, holding aloft the report of the Leader at the Party Conference, great Ten-Point Political Programme announced by him and his report at the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Republic.

Message of Pledge to Comrade KIM IL SUNG, Respected and Beloved Leader of 40 Million Korean People

(Gist)

Today at this meeting you Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, honoured us with praise and high appraisal which we hardly deserve, for the successes we made in farming last year, personally gave us programmatic precepts which will serve as the guiding principle of struggle for us peasants this year in vigorously carrying on as ever the ideological, technical and cultural revolutions, put forth in the "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country" and in scaling the main heights of the Seven-Year Plan.

We present at this meeting, with the firm resolve to be infinitely loyal with single-hearted devotion to you esteemed Premier and carry out your precepts to the end cherishing deep in our hearts this glory and this emotion of today, reverently address to you this message reflecting the Red hearts of loyalty of the cooperative farmers and functionaries in the domain of the rural economy throughout the country.

Under the wise leadership of you respected and beloved Leader, new innovations and brilliant successes have been made in production and construction in our rural economy in recent years.

World people call even a 5 per cent growth in grain output a year a wonderful success. But in the countryside of our Republic guided by you respected Premier, grain output jumped up not by 5 per cent but by 16 per cent in 1967 and again by 11 per cent last year.

Pointing out that a big stride forward was made also in our stock-breeding and fruit growing and the production of vegetables and silk cocoons grew markedly, the message of pledge continues:

These innovatory successes that have been made in our rural areas today have been due to the wise leadership and profound solicitude of you Comrade Kim Il Sung, the outstanding Leader of our revolution, who provided in per-

son all conditions needed for the development of the rural economy and skillfully solved both in theory and practice the difficult and complex peasant question and agricultural question, and are a brilliant fruit of your great idea of *Juche*.

You esteemed Premier authored in person the "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country," the great Marxist-Leninist agricultural programme for consolidating and developing the victorious socialist system in the countryside onto a still higher stage without intermission and, furthermore, brightly illuminating the road our peasants should follow to go to communist society, and led our peasants unwaveringly along the road of victory.

You esteemed Premier, while advancing the revolution in the countryside, has long since bent great efforts to lay solid material and technical foundations of agriculture.

Already in the days of peaceful construction after liberation you esteemed Premier put forth afforestation and water conservancy projects as the first and foremost task for land upbuilding and the development of the rural economy and roused the entire working people and peasants to irrigation construction and river projects, and in the post-war days when the agricultural cooperative movement was progressing apace and the solid foundation of an independent national economy was being laid you respected Premier led us to accomplish the great work of irrigation in the countryside with flying colours by vigorously carrying out as a whole Party, nation-wide movement the unprecedentedly vast nature-remaking projects of cutting water channels by tunnelling the mountains and building reservoirs by diking the valleys with the powerful support of industry.

Our fatherland has thus become a country of the world's first class irrigation setups, which is covered with water channels with a total extension of tens of thousands of *ri* and dense irrigation network, and the centuries-

old aspiration of our peasants to do farming free from drought and flood damage has come true brilliantly.

It is thanks to the irrigation provided by you fatherly Leader that our peasants have been able to do farming and reap a bumper harvest not affected in the least by severe natural calamities in the recent years, even by such a long spell of drought as of last year when rivers were dried up and earth was cracked.

You esteemed Premier built up the base of the machine-building industry, the mainspring of heavy industry, and the solid bases of the chemical industry, and sent tens of thousands of farm machines including tractors to our countryside and saw to it that various kinds of chemical fertilizers and agricultural chemicals and weedkillers were produced and supplied in larger quantities every year, thus making the labour of farmers easier and further developing agricultural production as a whole.

You respected Premier taught us in detail the ways and means of doing farming on a scientific and technical basis and particularly led us to widely apply early-ripening and high-yielding new crops and species suitable to the geographical conditions of various localities and thus bring about great innovations in boosting the per-unit-area grain yield.

You esteemed Premier also created the Chongsan-ri spirit and Chongsan-ri method which have been brought about tremendous changes in the Party work and administrative and economic work and established the new system of agricultural guidance, thereby helping further improve the state guidance and management of cooperative economy, and initiated and organized in person the sub-work-team management system, thus leading the peasants to enhance their sense of responsibility and creative enthusiasm still higher in agricultural production and joint labour.

You respected Premier, convened every year a national meeting of agricultural workers and clarified the orientation of work and the goal of struggle as well as ways and means of attaining the goal, which serve as the programmatic guideline in rural work, and taught us in person in farm work and unravelled the knotty problems, directly guiding production in the van of the agricultural front in every farming season.

Our agriculture which is developing apace today under the wise guidance of you respected Leader has been firmly equipped with modern materials and technical means and turned into a mighty socialist agriculture which is not subject to any climatic changes or accidental factors, and our rural communities have been turned into a reliable Red socialist countryside in which the nuclear stronghold of our Party has been built up more firmly than ever before and which can do anything once called

by you respected Leader.

You respected Premier came to our rural areas rain or shine always thinking of the peasants and looked after the life of even an unknown peasant down to the details.

Only leaping advance and innovation, proud victory and happiness are in store for our people and peasants who are living under the guidance of you great Leader.

Today our peasants work with machines and apply weed-killers, sent by you esteemed Premier, and reap a bumper harvest year after year and receive as their share a large amount of grain overflowing their rice barns, not to envy former great landowner, in the socialist countryside freed from exploitation and oppression, and are leading a bountiful, cultured life in the sunny, cosy dwelling houses built by the state, enjoying the benefit of free medical service in the rural communities freed from taxes.

Our sons and daughters who are growing up envying nothing in the world in the warm bosom of you esteemed Premier receive school uniforms for each season and study free of charge at schools from primary school to higher educational institution.

This is the realities of our socialist countryside, of which you respected Premier conceived, sitting up all night in the thick forests and which you beloved Premier has personally brought into existence today.

Even in the grim days when the dark clouds were hanging over the fatherland, in the trying and arduous days when you were waging a bloody struggle against the brigandish Japanese imperialists, taking upon yourself the destiny of the fatherland and the nation, you Comrade Kim Il Sung, the peerless patriot, national hero and great Leader of the revolution, deeply thought of what road the Korean countryside should take and brought to maturity a great conception for building a rich and beautiful, socialist countryside for the freedom and happiness of our peasants.

You respected Premier who brought a new morning of the glorious fatherland unfolded the great blueprint and smashed the class enemies by mustering the strength of the people, and has converted in such a short span of time our countryside which was suffering from ill-treatment and groaning in famine and darkness yesterday into the socialist countryside of today, rich, civilized and full of hope.

Our peasants living in the bosom of you great and benevolent Leader are the happiest of all peasants in the world and peasants with the highest pride and honour of living in the country which is called a "model in the building of socialist countryside."

Even if we may build and build a skyscraping golden pyramid, how can we express the warm love and lofty benevolence of you esteemed Leader for the peasants! Even if we

may embroider and embroider silk cloth as broad as the sky in gold thread, how can we inscribe them fully!

We attending the meeting extend, in the name of the entire agricultural working people and functionaries in the domain of the rural economy, the highest honour and gratitude to you Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, who has always led us to victory in revolution and construction and brought us the happiness of today, cherishing the highest honour and pride of living under the leadership of you Comrade Kim Il Sung who is outstanding Marxist-Leninist of the present times and whom the revolutionary peoples of the world infinitely revere and respect for his great contribution to the development of the international communist and working-class movements.

We know well that we have a lot of work yet to be done and should carry on as ever the strenuous struggle and vigorously forge ahead, the message says, and goes on:

We will make a new leap without interruption in agricultural production, further consolidate and develop the successes scored in the domain of the rural economy, thoroughly implement the Party's line on stepping up economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel and thereby fortify our revolutionary base as firm as granite, and carry out to the end the heavy yet honourable revolutionary task of accomplishing the cause of the national unification by powerfully assisting the fighting brothers and sisters in the South.

This year we will scale without fail the grain height of the grandiose Seven-Year Plan put forth by the historic Fourth Congress of our Party and at the same time rapidly develop overall agricultural production including stock-breeding, pomiculture and sericulture, and thus supply the country with a greater amount of food, ensure a larger amount of raw materials for our industry which is advancing at a swift tempo and more satisfactorily solve the problem of subsidiary food for the people including vegetables, edible oil, meat and eggs, the demand for which is growing with each passing day.

In this way we will further expedite the development of the national economy and the industrialization of the country, radically improve the people's living and make the prospering fatherland richer and stronger, bringing the superiority of our system of socialist rural economy into fullest play.

We will unswervingly forge ahead along the road indicated by the great "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country" propounded by you respected Premier and strive with all might to carry the Theses into effect brilliantly.

In order to successfully carry out the revolutionary tasks facing the rural economy, we will give definite precedence to the ideological revolution in the countryside to firmly arm ourselves with the unitary ideology of the Party and further revolutionize and working-classize ourselves.

The unitary ideology of our Party is the revolutionary ideas of you Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of our Party and the 40 million Korean people, who founded the Workers' Party of Korea, an ever-victorious Marxist-Leninist Party, founded the first state of proletarian dictatorship in our country, founded the revolutionary traditions, the roots of the socialist and communist revolution in our country, and founded the theory of our revolution, and ushered in a new era of socialism and communism in our country.

We will aim ourselves more firmly with the revolutionary ideas of you respected Leader, the idea of *Juche*, think and act as you respected Leader do at any time and in any place and unconditionally defend and carry through to the end the teachings of you beloved Leader and the policies of our Party.

We will further strengthen education in the revolutionary traditions along with education in the policies of the Party.

We will deeply study the history of the glorious revolutionary struggle of you esteemed Leader and your immortal exploits and deeply grasp the sagacity of the guidance of you Leader and your lofty virtues by effectively running the "Room for Study of the Revolutionary History of Comrade Kim Il Sung," and will remain boundlessly loyal to you esteemed Leader and defend you with our lives in any adversity as the anti-Japanese guerillas did.

We will resolutely fight against revisionism, "Left" opportunism, flunkeyism, bourgeois ideas, feudal Confucian ideas, factionalism and all other unsound, counter-revolutionary ideas contrary to the ideas of the Party and become Red revolutionary soldiers of the Party who do not step back even a step from the road indicated by you respected Leader.

By strengthening communist education with class education as its main content and education in socialist patriotism, we will further intensify hatred and enmity against the class enemies, ardently love the socialist fatherland which has brought us happiness and prosperity, defend it to the end and devotedly struggle to further consolidate and develop it.

By actively participating in the organisational life we will constantly temper the revolutionary spirit and organisation, heighten class and political consciousness still more, root up individualism and egoism left over by the exploiter society, take part in joint labour and collective life with sincerity and discharge

more faithfully the duty of the socialist agricultural working people who are in charge of food production for the country.

Summoning us to the struggle for making full ideological and material preparations for the nation-wide victory of our revolution, you Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, taught: "...You should decisively boost grain and agricultural production as a whole up to the level required by the Party."

Upholding the instructions of you esteemed Leader, we entire farmers and functionaries in the domain of the rural economy will certainly capture the grain height of the Seven-Year Plan by energetically unfolding once again the movement for increasing grain output per *jongbo* by 500 kilograms.

Referring in detail to the economic tasks confronting the domain of the rural economy, the message of pledge evinces the resolve of the attendants to carry out the tasks with credit.

It also lays emphasis on giving full scope to the superiority of the new system of agricultural guidance, further deepening and developing the sub-workteam management system and implementing thoroughly the great Chongsan-ri spirit and the Chongsan-ri method.

The message of pledge continues:

No matter how tremendous and heavy the revolutionary tasks confronting us today may be, there is nothing we can not do as long as there is for us the wise leadership of you Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, who brightly illumines the road ahead of our revolution and always leads us to victory and glory.

We entire agricultural working people and functionaries in the domain of the rural economy will march ahead with redoubled vigor along the road indicated by the Leader, rallied rock-firm around the Central Committee of the Party headed by you Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader.

By further strengthening the Chollima workteam movement we will continue to expand the ranks of Chollima riders, help and pull each other along under the motto "One for all, all for one," sweep away passivism, conservatism, stagnation and backwardness which hinder our advance, valorously surmount all difficulties with our own efforts under the revolutionary banner of self-reliance and raise higher the flames of the great revolutionary upsurge.

We will advance in the van of the ideological, technical and cultural revolutions particularly,

upholding the instructions of you respected and beloved Leader on conducting well work with men, work with equipment and materials and work with books.

We do not forget even for a moment the South Korean people and peasants who are undergoing today unheard-of hardships and misfortunes under the tyranny of the U.S. imperialist aggressors and their lackeys, the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

We will work more and produce more counting every minute and every second and carry on the strained struggle as ever for actively assisting with kindred feelings the anti-U.S., national-salvation struggle of the South Korean revolutionaries and patriotic people who have gallantly risen up with arms in their hands and crushing the enemies who are trying madly to provoke a new war.

We will take an active part in the training of the Red Worker-Peasant Militia to master military technique and various weapons and will firmly guard villages and posts with heightened revolutionary vigilance so as not to allow even a single subversive element to sneak into our Red rural villages.

We will warmly love the People's Army and help them heart and soul by displaying the traditional traits of unity of the army and the people to the full and make thorough preparations to counter the enemy and wipe him out at one blow by uniting in one body with the People's Army in case of emergency.

The day will surely come before long when the South Korean people and peasants will lead a happy life together with us in the benevolent bosom of you Leader in a unified fatherland.

We solemnly vow to brilliantly carry out without fail the revolutionary task assigned to us by you respected Leader no matter what difficulties and obstacles may lie ahead of us and no matter what rigid trials may befall us.

In conclusion the message of pledge wholeheartedly wishes good health and a long life to Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people, peerless patriot, national hero, ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and one of the outstanding leaders of the international communist and working-class movements, for the unification and independence of the fatherland and the nation-wide victory of our revolution, for the prosperity of the country and the happiness of the generations to come and for the final victory of socialism and communism.

National Meeting of Agricultural Workers Held Under Direct Guidance of Comrade KIM IL SUNG, Respected and Beloved Leader

The National Meeting of Agricultural Workers was held under the direct guidance of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, at the Mansudae Assembly Hall in Pyongyang for four days from February 4.

At the meeting, Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, gave a programmatic teaching to serve as a guide-line in the struggle for pushing ahead more powerfully the ideological, technical and cultural revolutions set forth in the "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country" and for carrying out successfully the tasks of the Seven-Year Plan in all branches of the rural economy.

Comrade Kim Il Sung also posed for a photograph together with the entire attendants of the meeting.

The meeting was held in a grand atmosphere in which our people, upholding the historic report of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, at the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Republic, are bringing about a greater revolutionary upsurge on all fronts of economic construction and defence upbuilding for scaling the main heights of the Seven-Year Plan, a grand programme of socialist construction, and hastening the complete victory of socialism and the revolutionary cause of national unification, and in which the South Korean revolutionaries and patriotic people are expanding and developing the anti-U.S., national-salvation struggle with each passing day.

The meeting opened amid warm congratulations and keen interest of the entire people summed up the results of the fulfilment of the teachings of Comrade Kim Il Sung given

at the National Meetings of Agricultural Workers in 1967 and 1968 and discussed measures of struggle for winning a decisive victory in the fulfilment of the Seven-Year Plan by bringing about a new upsurge again in the development of the rural economy and agricultural production this year.

The meeting was attended by a large number of workers of Party organs at all levels, personnel of the organs of agricultural guidance and the Union of Agricultural Working People, workers of the co-operative farms and state agricultural and stock farms, men of agricultural science and personnel of the ministries and central organs.

Unbounded emotion and joy were depicted on the faces of all the attendants of the meeting who gathered at this significant meeting which opened in the presence of the great Leader to discuss measures of struggle for effecting another new innovation in this year's agricultural production, who have thoroughly established the unitary ideological system of the Party and further revolutionized and working-classed themselves and came to the meeting with the great honour and pride of having reaped again a bumper crop in last year's farming, upholding the report of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, at the historic Conference of the Workers' Party of Korea, his great Ten-Point Political Programme, his report at the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Republic, and his "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country." Respectfully placed on the background of the platform of the meeting hall was a portrait of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 mil-

lion Korean people, peerless patriot, national hero, ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and one of the outstanding leaders of the international communist and working-class movements.

The meeting hall was overflowed from beginning to end with the feelings of boundless reverence for and trust in and ardent fidelity to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, who has always led our people steadfastly to victory and glory, happiness and prosperity along the bright road of socialism and communism, taking upon himself the destiny of the fatherland and the nation and victoriously hewing the path of the Korean revolution for the past 40-odd years.

At 9:00 a.m. on February 4, the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, appeared on the platform.

The entire attendants of the meeting rose at once to their feet and warmly welcomed with resounding cheers "Long live Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and prolonged, thunderous applause the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the founder of the ever-victorious Workers' Party of Korea and the first state of proletarian dictatorship in our country and the founder of the glorious revolutionary traditions of the communist and working-class movements in our country and the great idea of *Juche*, who ushered in the new era of socialism and communism in this land.

Indeed, apart from the great revolutionary ideas and wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, we can never think of the glorious history of the communist movement and national-liberation struggle in our country, the brilliant successes of our people in the revolution and construction, the brilliant development of our rural economy, and the epochal changes in the peasants' life, the unification of the fatherland and the bright future of communism.

When Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, took his seat, women co-operative farmers presented him a basket of flowers imbued with the boundless fidelity and reverence of the attendants of the meeting and the entire agricultural working people of our country.

The platform was also taken by Comrades Choi Yong Kun, Kim Il, Kim Gwang Hyop, Sok San, Jong Jun Taek and Han Sang Du, and workers of Party organs at various levels, personnel of agricultural guidance organs and the Union of Agricultural Working People, workers of co-operative farms and state agricultural and stock farms and Labour Heroes.

Comrade Kim Man Gum, Chairman of the

Agricultural Commission, made an opening address.

Then Comrade Kim Il, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and First Vice-Premier of the Cabinet, made a report "On summing up the results of carrying out the teachings of Comrade Kim Il Sung given at the National Meetings of Agricultural Workers in 1967 and 1968 and tasks for this year."

The report was followed by speeches.

The speakers unanimously referred to the proud successes they made last year in grain production and all other domains of agricultural production by powerfully pushing ahead with the technical and cultural revolutions and giving full play to the superiority of the new agricultural guidance system and sub-work-team management system, while firmly establishing the unitary ideological system of the Party among the agricultural working people and workers in the rural economy and accelerating their revolutionization and working-classization, upholding the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's report at the historical Party Conference, great Ten-Point Political Programme, report at the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Republic and "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country."

The speakers said: Today our agriculture firmly equipped with modern material and technical means has been turned into a powerful socialist agriculture which is not affected by any unfavourable natural conditions, the rural position of our Party has been more solidly built up politically and ideologically and ours converted into a reliable Red socialist countryside which carries out to the end any task given by the Leader.

They referred unanimously to the fact that with the continuous, rapid growth of agricultural production the economic foundation of the co-operative farms has been further consolidated and the material and cultural living standards of the masses of co-operative farmers have sharply risen.

The speakers stressed unanimously that all these successes were entirely attributable to the wise leadership and paternal solicitude of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, who set forth the "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country," a great Marxist-Leninist agricultural programme, and has been steadfastly leading our agricultural working people to socialism and communism, and they were a brilliant embodiment of his great idea of *Juche*.

The speakers said that today our people are confronted with the lofty revolutionary task to further increase the political, economic and military might of the country, bring earlier the complete victory of socialism and expedite the

revolutionary cause of national unification by stepping up economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel, and expressed their firm resolve to wage a more vigorous struggle for carrying out this task.

They also firmly pledged that in the domain of the rural economy they would wage a vigorous struggle once again for increasing *per-jongbo* grain output by 500 kg. this year in all paddy and non-paddy fields for scaling the grain height of the Seven-Year Plan, a grand programme of socialist construction put forth at the Fourth Congress of our Party, and rapidly develop simultaneously stockbreeding, fruit growing and sericulture and all other branches of agricultural production, and thus supply the country with more grain and provide our rapidly developing industry with a great amount of raw materials, solve satisfactorily the problem of subsidiary food such as vegetables, edible oil, meat, eggs, etc., whose demand is increasing as the days go by, and bring into fuller play the advantages of our system of socialist agriculture.

To this end, they stressed, they will arm the entire agricultural working people more firmly with the great revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the unitary ideology of our Party, and accelerate their revolutionization and working-classization by giving definite precedence, first of all, to the ideological revolution in the countryside so that they all may more faithfully carry out the duties they have assumed before the Party and the Leader as the revolutionary soldiers infinitely loyal to the Leader.

The speakers said that they will powerfully push ahead with the technical and cultural revolutions in the countryside to rapidly raise the technical and cultural levels of the peasants and place the rural economy on a firmer scientific and technical basis, and will enhance further its level of mechanization and chemicalization.

The speakers also stated that they will further expand and develop the Chollima move-

ment in the field of the rural economy and evinced their resolve to keep a strained and mobilized posture in view of the prevailing situation and lift higher the flames of great revolutionary upsurge in all branches of agricultural production, each doing the work of two or three persons in the spirit of assisting the South Korean revolutionaries and patriotic people who are waging a heroic struggle against the U.S. imperialist aggressors and their stooges.

Unanimously extending highest honour and warmest gratitude to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, who has provided our peasants with the most excellent socialist rural economic system and a happy life, the speakers wholeheartedly wished him good health and a long life for everlasting prosperity and progress of our glorious fatherland and the happiness of the generations to come, for the unification of the fatherland and the nation-wide victory of the Korean revolution and for the final victory of socialism and communism.

The entire attendants of the meeting adopted amid thunderous applause the pledge to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, conveying the unanimous feeling of loyalty to him of the attendants and the entire agricultural working people of our country.

The closing address of the meeting was made by Comrade Kim Man Gum, Chairman of the Agricultural Commission.

The meeting closed on February 7, after finishing its work successfully.

The whole course of the meeting demonstrated the fervent loyalty of our agricultural working people to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and their inexhaustible creative power and firm determination to march ahead vigorously towards socialism and communism along the bright path indicated by him in his "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country," the great Marxist-Leninist agricultural programme.

Report of Comrade General Oh Jin Wu, Secretary of the C.C. of the Workers' Party of Korea and Chief of General Staff of Korean People's Army, Delivered at Pyongyang City Celebration of 21st Anniversary of Founding of Korean People's Army (Gist)

It is only 21 years ago that the Korean People's Army was founded as a regular army. But it is the glorious revolutionary armed forces with a brilliant history of the struggle of 40-odd years from the time of the founding of the Anti-Japanese Guerilla Army, the first revolutionary armed force of our people, when viewed from the general history of the Korean people for the upbuilding of revolutionary armed forces, the reporter said.

Today we retrospect with great pride and joy the path of victory replete with glory along which the revolutionary armed forces of our Party and people have struggled, the reporter declared.

In the first part of the report General Oh Jin Wu stressed that the Korean People's Army founded by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, is the continuer of the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle and is an army of the revolution, an army of the people defending the Party and the Leader with lives and fighting for the fatherland and the people.

The reporter continued:

Comrade Kim Il Sung, guided by Marxist-Leninist theory, founded on April 25, 1932, the Anti-Japanese Guerilla Army, the first detachment of the people's revolutionary armed forces in our country, with progressive workers, peasants and patriotic youth opposed to Japanese imperialism for the national independence and social emancipation of the Korean people and expanded and developed it as the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

With this the Korean people came to have

for the first time in their history genuine revolutionary armed forces resisting the reactionary forces of imperialism and, the anti-Japanese national-liberation struggle of the Korean people for the restoration of the fatherland and the freedom and liberation of the people made progress with greater force.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, conceiving a far-reaching plan for the founding of powerful modern people's armed forces, clarified already in the Ten-Point Programme of the Association for the Restoration of the Fatherland: "the Japanese army, gendarmerie, police and their running dogs shall be disarmed and a revolutionary army which truly can fight for the independence of Korea be formed," and educated and trained a large number of military and political cadres in a far-sighted way in the course of the arduous anti-Japanese armed struggle.

The genius military line of Comrade Kim Il Sung on founding the people's armed forces was successfully carried out after liberation under the leadership of our Party.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, taught us: "No independent state is without its own army. Naturally no state can attain complete independence without its own army...."

"For our country to become a completely independent state it is therefore indispensable for her to have a mighty people's army capable of defending the country and nation and repulsing with certainty any enemy invasion."

Referring to the fact that along the wise line of building regular revolutionary armed

forces formulated by Comrade Kim Il Sung our Party vigorously stepped up preparations for founding regular revolutionary armed forces even under the difficult conditions right after liberation when we were short of prepared cadres, the reporter stressed: Comrade Kim Il Sung announced to the world the founding of the Korean People's Army on February 8, 1948.

The reporter went on to say:

The founding of the Korean People's Army was a brilliant materialization of the great military programme of Comrade Kim Il Sung, who made preparations for the founding of a revolutionary regular army in the period of the hard-fought anti-Japanese armed struggle, and a valuable fruition of the bloody struggle waged and exertions made by the anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters for the building of a people's armed force.

The founding of the Korean People's Army was a brilliant victory won by our people who seized power, in the struggle for building a rich and powerful independent state, rallied close as one around Comrade Kim Il Sung, upholding his great revolutionary ideas, and was a great event of epochal significance in the revolutionary struggle of our people advancing towards the victory of the cause of socialism and communism.

With the founding of the Korean People's Army, our people became the resourceful people of a full-fledged independent state possessed of a powerful regular army capable of defending the freedom and independence of the fatherland and firmly safeguarding the gains of the revolution against imperialist invasion.

Having come to possess their own powerful regular armed forces which firmly guarantee the victory of the revolutionary cause by force of arms, our Party and our people became able to ensure the decisive predominance of the revolutionary forces over the counter-revolutionary forces throughout the country and successfully promote the socialist revolution and socialist construction, resolutely frustrating the manoeuvres of the domestic and foreign reactionaries headed by the U.S. imperialists.

Pointing out that the Korean People's Army, born as the direct successor to the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle of our people, has grown up from the deep roots of the anti-Japanese armed struggle and inherited in an all-round way its brilliant revolutionary traditions, the reporter remarked, and continued:

Our People's Army has inherited the lofty ideological system and revolutionary spirit of the anti-Japanese guerillas and their revolutionary work method and popular style of work.

The revolutionary ideological system of remaining infinitely faithful to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the revolution, the firm idea of *Juche* and the revolu-

tionary spirit of self-reliance, the indomitable revolutionary fighting spirit and revolutionary optimism, burning hatred for national and class enemies, the idea of socialist patriotism and the spirit of proletarian internationalism and the traditional traits of unity of the superiors and the inferiors and unity of the army and the people that took shape during the anti-Japanese armed struggle—all this is the most beautiful moral assets inherited by our People's Army.

The People's Army has inherited in an all-round way the outstanding military strategy and tactics worked out by Comrade Kim Il Sung in the course of the arduous anti-Japanese armed struggle and the lofty combat exploits and experiences gained by the anti-Japanese guerillas.

The military operation and elusive tactics of Comrade Kim Il Sung and military experiences such as combination of large unit operation with detailed unit operation, organization and steel-like discipline of the army, education and training of the units, political and ideological work and logistic work in the units, and the operation for disorganizing the enemy troops are the most precious where-withal which should be the guiding principle to be adhered to in strengthening the People's Army as invincible revolutionary armed forces.

It is a great pride and honour of the Korean People's Army that it has inherited the glorious revolutionary traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle as the successor to the Anti-Japanese Guerilla Army.

Our People's Army is a genuine army of the people which was organized with fine sons and daughters of the workers, peasants and other sections of working people, with the anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters as the backbone, and an army of a new type which is essentially different from the imperialist army.

The Korean People's Army has the weighty mission to defend with their lives the Central Committee of the Party headed by Comrade Kim Il Sung, which is the brain and heart of the Korean revolution, to firmly safeguard the socialist gains won by our people at the cost of blood and the security of the fatherland from infringement of the enemy, and to fight for the unification and independence of the country and the nation-wide victory of the Korean revolution. In the second part of the report, General Oh Jin Wu reviewed the militant path replete with victory and glory the Korean People's Army has traversed.

He said:

The past 21 years covered by the Korean People's Army is a worthy history in which its armymen have been infinitely faithful to the Leader as his true soldiers, a revolutionary history in which it has safeguarded with blood the freedom and independence of the fatherland and firmly defended the socialist

gains and a glorious history filled with victories in which it has grown as steel-like revolutionary armed forces, each man a match for a hundred foes, under the wise leadership of the Party and the Leader.

In the post-liberation period of peaceful construction, the officers and men of our People's Army firmly safeguarded the system of people's democracy and the revolutionary democratic base in the northern half of the Republic and reliably defended the creative labour of our people who rose up for building a new fatherland, smashing in each step the ceaseless provocative manoeuvres and subversive activities of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges.

In the Fatherland Liberation War, the Korean People's Army repelled the armed invasion of 16 countries headed by U.S. imperialism, the chieftain of world imperialism, and defended with honour the freedom and independence of the fatherland and the revolutionary gains by fighting courageously, displaying collective heroism and unexampled patriotic devotion in ardent response to the call of the Party and the Leader, thus performed immortal exploits which will shine long in the annals of our fatherland.

Our valiant People's Army was still young in numerical strength and arms equipment, but it curbed at once the armed invasion of the enemy and in a little more than two months after it went over to a powerful counter-offensive, it put out of action the main units of the puppet army and the main force of the U.S. imperialist aggressor army including the U.S. 24th division, and liberated almost the whole area of South Korea, except a narrow part of North and South Kyongsang Provinces, by displaying high patriotic devotion and mass heroism.

In the difficult time of the temporary strategic retreat, the officers and men of our People's Army, on the orders of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the Supreme Commander, followed the Party across steep mountain ridges and rivers, with deep conviction of victory, beating the enemy everywhere, and participated in new operations for decisively routing the enemy.

In the days of the second offensive and particularly in the subsequent period of position defensive, the officers and men of our People's Army, with burning loyalty to the Party and the Leader, defended with their lives each height of the fatherland and every inch of its soil.

All the operations and battles waged by the People's Army in each stage of the war proved that our People's Army was a powerful army proficient in offensive and defensive battles and the struggle in the enemy's rear.

The heroic struggle of our people for victory in the war was waged vigorously not only on

the front but also in the rear.

The officers and men of the valiant People's Army and our heroic people fought courageously, united in one body, by displaying to the full the traditional traits of unity between the army and the people for the common goal and interests. They killed, wounded or captured over 1,093,000 enemy effectives including above 390,000 U.S. troops and destroyed or damaged large quantities of combat technical equipment of the enemy, including over 12,000 aircraft, upwards of 3,000 tanks and more than 250 warships, and thus won a historic victory in the Fatherland Liberation War.

As Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, taught us, the heroic victory of our people in the Fatherland Liberation War **"...was a plain demonstration of the inexhaustible vitality of our Republic and the people's democratic system and the invincible strength of our people who had become masters of the country. Our victory clearly showed that no force can ever conquer a people who firmly took their destinies in their hands and rose for the freedom, independence and progress of their fatherland under the leadership of a Marxist-Leninist Party."**

The victory of the Korean people in the Fatherland Liberation War humbled the pride of the U.S. imperialists who had boasted of being the "strongest" in the world, smashed to smithereens the myth about their "mightiness" and started them on the downgrade to their doom.

By winning a great victory in the Fatherland Liberation War, we thwarted the plots of the U.S. imperialist aggressors threatening the socialist countries, firmly defended the eastern post of the socialist camp and greatly made for safeguarding peace and security of the world.

From the first days of the ceasefire our People's Army thoroughly smashed at every step all sorts of provocative machinations of the enemy who were committing incessant intrusions on the land, in the sea and in the air and firmly guarded the defence line of the fatherland, keeping a close watch on the moves of the enemy who were running amuck in an attempt to provoke a new war in our country.

Recalling that the fighters of our People's Army sent deep into the East and West Seas many enemy warships, including "Escort Craft No. 56" which had wormed into the territorial waters of our country, and in particular, meted out a stern punishment to the "Pueblo," a hateful armed spy ship of the U.S. imperialists, which was committing espionage and hostile acts after intruding deep into the territorial waters of our country early last year, thus abasing the pride of the enemy hell-bent on the provocation of a war, the reporter said:

The U.S. imperialists must be clearly conscious that if they resort again to new, reck-

less aggressive machinations oblivious of the bitter lesson of the "Pueblo" incident, then they will be dealt such a heavy retaliatory blow as they have not yet sustained in their history of aggression, by the mighty and strong-willed Korean people and Korean People's Army. The Korean people do not like empty talk, and we have all the moral and material forces enough to do so.

Pointing to the fact that the fighters of our People's Army have done much work in socialist economic construction, too, the reporter noted and continued:

As Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, taught us, "the socialist system and the foundations of an independent national economy which are the great revolutionary gains achieved by our people under the leadership of the Party are associated with the red blood shed by the officers and men of the People's Army who fought heroically for the freedom and happiness of the people and for the eternal prosperity of the fatherland, and with noble patriotic spirit they displayed."

Today our People's Army enjoys unanimous support and deep love of the entire people for its infinite fidelity to the Party and the Leader and its devoted service for the fatherland and the people.

Our People's Army has grown beyond recognition both in quantity and quality in the past 21 years.

Now our People's Army is replete with the revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the unitary ideology of the Party, and all the armymen are filled with the unanimous determination to defend the Party and the revolution with their lives.

Up to date since liberation, the officers and men of the People's Army firmly armed with the unitary ideology of the Party, have remained singleheartedly faithful to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and defended the Party and the Leader with their lives, not vacillating in the least even in the days of the arduous struggle and they are filled with the firm determination to proudly march ahead in future, too, along the one road of revolution indicated by the Leader and to fight ahead to the end in response to the call of the Party and the Leader, not yielding to any heavy storm. No force on earth can dampen the fidelity of the officers and men of the People's Army to the Party and the Leader.

Today the military technical equipment of our People's Army has been improved on the whole and all the services and arms have been equipped with up-to-date technique, with the result that it has grown into modern armed forces with powerful offensive and defensive means fully capable of knocking down any formidable enemy.

The People's Army has undergone a radical

change in the composition of its ranks as well in this period.

As Comrade Kim Il Sung said, "at the time of the founding of the People's Army, the revolutionary pivots who had been tempered in the severe trials of the revolution numbered only several thousands. Today after 20 years, however, in the People's Army the revolutionary pivots, tempered in the flames of the Fatherland Liberation War, have increased to tens of thousands, together with the veteran revolutionary fighters who directly took part in the anti-Japanese armed struggle."

The revolutionary pivots of the People's Army are the most valuable nuclei of the Party which we will not exchange for anything, one of the greatest successes we have registered in the past 21 years and very valuable wherewithal for accelerating our revolution.

Today our People's Army has a most solid rear based on the powerful independent national economy which can fully meet the demands of the front and the rear in any situation and on a reliable class position which can ceaselessly reinforce the ranks of the People's Army armed with revolutionary ideas and tempered physically.

The Korean People's Army which has inherited the brilliant revolutionary traditions of the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle, is possessed of rich combat experiences in knocking down the U.S. imperialist aggressors, is firmly armed with the ever-victorious revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, is possessed of modern military science and technique, up-to-date military technical equipment and has a solid rear, and is a reliable bulwark for the victory of our revolution, which makes the blood-thirsty enemy tremble with fear.

All the victories and successes registered by the People's Army in the past 21 years are attributable entirely to the great Marxist-Leninist military ideas and brilliant military strategy and tactics of Comrade Kim Il Sung who has led the Korean revolution to victory for over 40 years.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the revolution, not only founded the Korean People's Army, the revolutionary armed forces of our Party, but also put forward a correct line and concrete ways for the strengthening and development of the People's Army at each stage of the development of the revolution, and organized and guided the work in person.

The situation of our country and the development of the revolution following the founding of the People's Army show how great the line of Comrade Kim Il Sung for the upbuilding of the revolutionary people's armed forces was and prove that his wise line was, indeed, a brilliant, scientific and solely correct one.

The great victory in the Fatherland Libera-

tion War was, too, a result of the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, an outstanding military strategist.

The People's Army has further developed to suit the demands of the modern warfare the military strategy and operational tactics such as assaults, alluring, ambush, attacks on towns, nocturnal assaults, encounters, defensives, counter-envelopments, etc. created by Marshal Kim Il Sung, the Supreme Commander, in the period of the anti-Japanese armed struggle organized and waged under his personal leadership.

At the same time, the People's Army successfully applied to its operations the superb tactics of Comrade Kim Il Sung who made our army defeat the enemy superior in number and technique with its ideological and tactical superiority, always take the initiative by taking advantage of the weak points of the enemy and wipe out large numbers of enemies while preserving its own forces at maximum. On the basis of the original military strategy and operational tactics of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the People's Army dealt grievous blows to the U.S. imperialist aggressors who mounted adventurous "offensives" frequently changing notorious homicidal generals, by reinforcing the fire power of its units and skilfully employing such new forms of combat as the aircraft hunters' team movement, tank-hunters' team movement, snipers' movement, mobile artillery activities and positional defence relying on tunnels.

Today the People's Army is reliably guarding the security of its fatherland and the socialist gains for itself by thoroughly embodying the self-defence line of Comrade Kim Il Sung in national defence, the cornerstone and immovable guiding principle in the upbuilding of the revolutionary armed forces of our Party.

It goes without saying that the solidarity and mutual assistance between the working classes of all countries in the revolutionary struggle against the imperialists' aggression constitute an important guarantee for the socialist countries to safeguard the revolutionary gains they have already achieved, and accordingly, the socialist countries should exert efforts to strengthen such an international solidarity.

If the communists fail to strengthen their own defence power and merely reckon on aid from outside, they cannot defend the security of their fatherland and the gains of the revolution against imperialist aggression, no matter how big and great aid may be, much less smashing the crafty strategy of U.S. imperialism designed to destroy the countries of the socialist camp one by one.

The great ideas of self-defence of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the Leader of the revolution, proceed from the thoroughly revolutionary

and internationalist stand to carry on the struggle till imperialism is wiped off the surface of the globe to the finish and the ultimate victory of the revolution is won.

Comrade Kim Il Sung put forth the strategic line on carrying on economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel, the result of which is that the general defence power of the country has been further strengthened and at the same time the combat capacity of the People's Army has increased as never before.

The combat capacity of our People's Army has grown invincible as we see today, and it has become able to firmly defend the country—this is thanks to the thorough implementation of the great military line of Comrade Kim Il Sung, whose basic content is to train the whole army into a cadre army, modernize the whole army, and place the entire people under arms and convert the whole country into a fortress.

Of another importance in the military ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung is the question on the decisive role of the political and moral factor in war.

The great military ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung are a further creative development of the Marxist-Leninist military theory in the new historic conditions and a great contribution to further enriching the treasure-house of Marxism-Leninism in general.

Boundlessly glorious are the Korean people who are led by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the revolution; ever-victorious is the Korean People's Army directly guided by the great military ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, military strategic genius.

Today marking the 21st anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Army, I, in the name of the entire Korean people and the entire men, non-commissioned officers, officers and generals of the ground, naval and air forces of the Korean People's Army and the garrison, reverently extend the highest honour and glory to Marshal Kim Il Sung, the Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army, peerless patriot, national hero, ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander, one of the outstanding leaders of the international communist and working-class movements and the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, who brightly illumines like the sun the road ahead of our people and People's Army.

In the next part of the report, General Oh Jin Wu declared: the Korean People's Army will become the guard detachment and death-defying corps carrying out the orders and teachings of the Leader and will remain faithful to the last to the revolutionary cause of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Saying that our revolutionary cause has not yet been brought to completion and we have more work to do in future, the reporter stated:

Confronting our Party and our people is the national task to accomplish the South Korean revolution by actively assisting the South Korean people in the ever mounting revolutionary struggle and unify the fatherland and achieve the nation-wide victory of the Korean revolution by strengthening the political, economic and military might of the country through the acceleration of the socialist construction in the northern half of the Republic at a faster tempo.

The internal and international situation of our revolution at present remains complicated and tense as ever due to the intensified manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists for aggression and war.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, our respected and beloved Leader, taught us: "the basic strategy of U.S. imperialism for world aggression at the present stage is to destroy by force of arms the small and divided revolutionary socialist countries and newly-independent countries one by one, while refraining from worsening its relations with big powers and shunning confrontation with them as far as possible and to intensify ideological and political offensive against, and subvert from within, those countries which are weak ideologically and not willing to make revolution but spread illusion about imperialism among the people clamouring only for unprincipled co-existence with imperialism, and desire to live on good terms with imperialism."

In accordance with this strategy for world aggression, the U.S. imperialists, while stepping up ideological and cultural penetration into some countries, are running riot to find a way out of their position, which is like the sun setting in the western sky, in the aggravation of international tension and the intensification of the arms race and in a new war of aggression, and have taken the road of making preparations for total war in full scale and openly perpetrating "local war" and "special war."

Today the U.S. imperialists are running wilder to provoke a new war of aggression against the Korean people to recover from their shameful defeat in the war in Vietnam, to patch up their policy of aggression which is going bankrupt with each passing day in Asia and to bring under control the crisis of the colonial rule shaking to its very foundation in South Korea, in particular.

The situation shows that a war may break out again at any moment in our country due to the aggressive machinations of U.S. imperialism, the reporter pointed out, and said:

Holding aloft the decisions of the historic Conference of the Party, the great Ten-Point Political Programme of the Government of the Republic and the programmatic report delivered by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, at the celebration of the 20th

anniversary of the founding of the Republic, we should more vigorously push ahead with economic construction and defence upbuilding and thoroughly implement the line of training the whole army into a cadre army, modernizing the whole army, placing the entire people under arms and converting the whole country into a fortress to build up more solidly the country-wide and all-people defence system.

What is most important in increasing the defence power of the country is to further strengthen the People's Army politically and ideologically and in military technique.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught us: "To arm the armymen politically and ideologically constitutes the basic guarantee for bringing them up into communist fighters faithful to the Party and the revolution and strengthening the might of our army."

Of utmost importance in arming the People's Army politically and ideologically is to firmly arm the entire officers and men of the People's Army with the great revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the unitary ideology of the Party, and constantly revolutionize and working-classize them.

The revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung are the great idea of *Juche*, in which the universal principles of Marxism-Leninism are creatively applied and developed to suit the specific conditions of our country and the national peculiarities, the invincible guiding ideas confidently leading the Korean revolution along the most straight path of victory and the most outstanding ideas firmly guaranteeing the final victory of the cause of socialism and communism in our country.

Only by thoroughly arming ourselves with the great revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, can we have a revolutionary world outlook, be boundlessly faithful to the Party and the Leader, and become ardent revolutionaries and communist fighters who devotedly struggle for the revolution, and unbendingly uphold revolutionary integrity, not wavering in the least in any storm and stress.

It is of tremendous importance in establishing the system of the unitary ideology of the Party among the armymen and revolutionizing and working-classizing them to defend the brilliant revolutionary traditions inherited by our Party and the People's Army and deeply study and grasp them, the reporter said, and went on:

What is most important in the education in the revolutionary traditions is to make a deep-going study of the revolutionary family of Comrade Kim Il Sung and the history of his revolutionary activities and acquire a profound knowledge of them, the reporter stressed, and went on:

By firmly arming all the soldiers with high class consciousness, we should guide them to

bitterly hate imperialism, particularly U.S. and Japanese imperialism, the inveterate enemies of our people, and landlord and capitalist classes and all other class enemies, always fight uncompromisingly against them and ardently love and firmly defend our socialist system and fight with all devotion for the prosperity and development of the socialist fatherland.

All the officers and men of the People's Army should possess unbreakable revolutionary determination to certainly carry the South Korean revolution to completion and unify the fatherland within our generation, not forgetting for a moment the brothers and sisters in the southern land who are groaning under the occupation of the U.S. imperialists.

He put stress on further displaying the revolutionary traits of unity between the superiors and the inferiors and unity between the officers and men in the army and strengthening the revolutionary solidarity between the superiors and the inferiors and among comrades and giving full scope to the traditional traits of unity between the army and the people by strengthening the education in communist morality.

We, he said, should tirelessly steel the ranks of the People's Army politically and ideologically and in military technique and thus thoroughly prepare all the service-men from the rank and file up to generals so they can well undertake the duties of the next higher rank and up and perform them successfully.

We should arm our People's Army more powerfully with modern weapons and combat and technical equipment and further modernize all the weapons and increase their mighty power on the basis of up-to-date military science and technique to meet the demands of modern warfare and cope with ag-

gression by the enemy armed to the teeth.

In particular, by thoroughly establishing *Juche* in the military domain, we should rapidly develop the military science and military technology suitable to the concrete conditions of our country with many mountains and long coastal lines.

The most important thing in training the People's Army into revolutionary armed forces, each a match for a hundred foes, firmly armed politically and ideologically and tested in military technique is to steadily deepen and develop the Red Flag company movement enkindled in person by Marshal Kim Il Sung, the Supreme Commander, the reporter stressed, and outlined tasks for it.

In order to build up our revolutionary base politically, economically and militarily as firm as an impregnable fortress and consolidate the defences of the country like an iron wall, we should thoroughly implement the line of the Party for arming the entire people and converting the whole country into a fortress while reinforcing the People's Army.

The reporter said in conclusion:

The entire people and men and officers of the People's Army on the 21st anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Army are overflowing with high revolutionary zeal to powerfully push ahead with the socialist construction in the northern half of the Republic, accomplish the South Korean revolution by assisting the South Korean people and actively meet the great revolutionary event of the unification of the fatherland.

Ever-victorious is the just revolutionary cause of the heroic Korean people and Korean People's Army who are under the wise leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea and guided by the invincible revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Pyongyang City Meeting Held in Celebration of the 21st Birthday of the Korean People's Army

Our people and the officers and men of the Korean People's Army are significantly celebrating the 21st birthday of the heroic Korean People's Army, our Party's revolutionary armed forces, in grand circumstances where the whole nation is astir with a great revolutionary upsurge to implement the Party's revolutionary line of pushing ahead economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel and to scale all the major heights of the Seven-Year Plan of the national economy, upholding the report of the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung delivered at the historic Party Conference, his great Ten-Point Political Programme and his report at the celebration of the 20th birthday of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

A grand Pyongyang city meeting was held on February 7 at the Pyongyang Grand Theatre in celebration of the 21st anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Army.

Attending the meeting were officers and men of the heroic Korean People's Army and the Korean Garrison, and members of the Red Worker-Peasant Militia. Also present were working people, families of revolutionary martyrs, families of servicemen, honoured disabled soldiers and functionaries of Party and government organs and public organisations in the city.

Also invited to the meeting were foreign diplomatic representatives and military attaches staying in our country.

Respectfully hung on the background of the platform was a portrait of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, the founder of the Korean People's Army, ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and military strategic genius. Rising on its background was a model of Mt. Baekdu symbolizing the glorious revolutionary traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle and against this background there was a national flag.

There was also a letter-inscribed model "1948-1969," showing the 21 years of the heroic

struggle of the Korean People's Army replete with brilliant combat exploits.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of our revolution, laid the deep roots for the building of the people's armed forces in the thick of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, founded the Korean People's Army, our Party's revolutionary armed forces, after the liberation on the basis of the great idea of *Juche* and the revolutionary self-defensive line, put forth the brilliant military, strategic and tactical lines at every stage of the development of the revolution and led the People's Army along the one road of victory replete with glory.

The Korean People's Army which was formed with the revolutionary fighters steeled in the fire of the anti-Japanese armed struggle organised and led by Comrade Kim Il Sung as its core and inherited in a comprehensive way the brilliant revolutionary traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, under his wise leadership has grown into a regular army and into invincible revolutionary armed forces, firmly armed with the Party's unitary ideology and rich combat experiences and equipped with modern military science and technique and the latest military-technical equipment.

Therefore, the hearts of the attendants of the meeting were beating high with boundless honour of having the great Chief Comrade Kim Il Sung as their Leader, who has reared up the People's Army into the "a-match-for-a-hundred" revolutionary armed forces as we see today. And on their faces were read a firm determination to be faithful to his teachings upholding his sagacious leadership in the future too, to defend with their lives the Party and the Leader in any adversity and stand firmly guard over the socialist fatherland and safeguard the revolutionary gains.

The platform was taken by Comrades Choi Yong Kun, Kim Il, Kim Gwang Hyop, Choi Hyon, Pak Sung Chul, Li Ju Yon, Nam Il, Li Yong Ho, Sok San, Oh Jin Wu, Jong Jun Taek, responsible functionaries of the Party and government organs and public organisations, gen-

erals of the Korean People's Army, Heroes of the Republic, model combatants and Labour Heroes.

After Li Bong Gyom, First Vice-Chairman of the Pyongyang City People's Committee, declared the meeting open, the national anthem was played.

General Oh Jin Wu, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Chief of the General Staff of the Korean People's Army, made the report at the meeting.

He first stressed that though the Korean People's Army is only 21 years old as a regular army, it is our Party's revolutionary armed forces with a brilliant history of struggle of nearly 40 years since the founding of the Anti-Japanese Guerilla Army, the first revolutionary armed forces of our people.

Pointing out that the Korean People's Army founded by the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, as the continuer of the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle, is an army of revolution, an army of the people, whose mission it is to defend with lives the Party and the Leader and fight for the country and people, he referred to the fact in detail that the Korean People's Army, our Party's revolutionary armed forces, has inherited in an all-round way the glorious revolutionary traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle.

Reviewing the glorious militant path the Korean People's Army has traversed, he pointed with pride to the fact that beside those veteran revolutionary fighters who directly participated in the anti-Japanese armed struggle, there emerged tens of thousands of revolutionary pivots in the People's Army, tempered in the thick of the Fatherland Liberation War.

All victories and successes the People's Army has scored in the past 21 years, he emphasized, owe entirely to the great Marxist-Leninist military thought and brilliant military strategy and tactics of Comrade Kim Il Sung who has led the Korean revolution from victory to victory in 40-odd years. He remarked in detail on the fact that Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the revolution, not only founded the Korean People's Army, our Party's revolutionary armed forces, but advanced the correct line and concrete ways for strengthening and developing it at every stage of the development of the revolution and personally organised and led the struggle for their implementation.

The great military thought of Comrade Kim Il Sung means a further creative development of the Marxist-Leninist military theory under new historical conditions and has made a great contribution to further enriching the treasure-house of Marxism-Leninism as a whole, stressed the reporter.

He emphasized that the Korean people feel boundless pride in having Comrade Kim Il Sung as the great Leader of the revolution and that the Korean People's Army guided by the great military thought of the Leader, military strategic genius, will always be victorious. In the name of the soldiers, non-commissioned officers, officers and generals of the three services of the Korean People's Army and the Korean Garrison, together with the entire Korean people, the reporter reverentially extended, on the occasion of the 21st birthday of the Korean People's Army, the greatest honour and glory to Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people, peerless patriot, national hero, ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and one of the outstanding leaders of the international communist and working-class movements, who brightly illumines the road ahead of our people and the People's Army as the sun does.

Then the report was interrupted by the enthusiastic applause which shook the meeting hall.

The reporter touched upon the tasks of the entire people and officers and men of the People's Army to further promote socialist construction in the northern half of the Republic, fortify more firmly the country's political, economic and military might, actively support the ever-mounting revolutionary struggle of the South Korean people, complete the South Korean revolution, unify the fatherland and achieve the nation-wide victory of the Korean revolution.

The attendants of the meeting renewed their determination to advance, advance, struggle and advance for the ultimate victory of our revolution, rallied closely around the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people.

Similar meetings were held at provincial and county seats, cities, and units of the Korean People's Army and Korean Garrison.